

**Ryan White Title I  
Service Delivery Policies  
Fiscal Year 2006-07  
(Year 16)**

**Section V –  
Letters of Exemption, Nutritional  
Assessment, Medical Necessity and  
Prior Authorization**



***Miami-Dade County  
Office of Strategic Business Management***

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT LETTER FOR  
FOOD BANK SERVICES**  
(THIS DOCUMENT IS TO BE COMPLETED BY AN INDEPENDENT PHYSICIAN OR A  
REGISTERED DIETITIAN  
NOT ASSOCIATED WITH THE TITLE I FOOD BANK PROVIDER.)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY PHYSICIAN**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the **primary medical caretaker** for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my professional opinion that he/she requires food bank assistance.

Please specify frequency:

☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly

Please specify maximum number of additional food bank visits (occurrences) recommended within a twelve-month period, which starts with the date of the client's first visit to the food bank (first occurrence):

☐ One visit ☐ Two visits ☐ Three visits

This assistance will maintain the patient's health by providing a balanced, adequate diet, which the patient is currently not receiving.

Physician Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Print MEO# \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

**TO BE COMPLETED BY REGISTERED DIETITIAN**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As a **registered dietitian** who has completed an assessment of \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my professional opinion that he/she requires food bank assistance.

Please specify frequency:

☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly

Please specify maximum number of additional food bank visits (occurrences) recommended within a twelve-month period, which starts with the date of the client's first visit to the food bank (first occurrence):

☐ One visit ☐ Two visits ☐ Three visits

This assistance will maintain the patient's health by providing a balanced, adequate diet, which the patient is currently not receiving.

RD Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

*Print*

RD License # \_\_\_\_\_

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I  
LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR HOME DELIVERED MEALS  
(PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION)**

As the primary physician for \_\_\_\_\_, CIS # \_\_\_\_\_, it is my professional opinion that he/she qualifies for home delivered meals assistance because he/she meets the conditions required for this service (as indicated below).

I hereby certify that:

1. This patient has the following diagnosis (check one):

- ☐ AIDS
- ☐ HIV+ symptomatic, with the following condition that makes home delivered meals necessary:  
(please specify condition and check one of the following: \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Temporary condition (specify time period \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Permanent condition

**AND**

2. This patient meets the following Project AIDS Care (PAC) Waiver condition for home delivered meals (check as appropriate):

- ☐ The patient is homebound\*; functionally impaired\*\*; and no other person in the patient's household is able to prepare meals, or the person who usually prepares meals is temporarily absent or unable to manage meal preparation.
- ☐ A therapeutic diet is authorized for this patient that can only be implemented through home delivered meals.

**AND**

3. This patient requires \_\_\_\_\_ home delivered meals per day, from the date of my signature, for a period of (check one):  
(# of meals)

- ☐ 1 MONTH    ☐ 2 MONTHS    ☐ 3 MONTHS

Definitions - \* Homebound: The individual is confined to his or her home for any period of time and is unable to leave the residence without assistance from another person. The homebound person must have no other means of obtaining meals.

\*\* Functionally impaired: The patient has difficulty performing one or more activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, walking, getting to the toilet, or eating. The functionally impaired person may not be capable of preparing meals.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Florida Medical License Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency/Clinic/Practice Name

(\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency/Clinic/Practice Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency/Clinic/Practice City, State, Zip

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I  
DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES  
LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY  
(THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION)**

PAGE 1 OF 2

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART I - Physician's Certification**

As the primary physician for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of (*HIV+ Symptomatic or AIDS*) \_\_\_\_\_, it is my opinion that he/she requires the following medical equipment and/or supplies due to a prognosis of \_\_\_\_\_:

Equipment \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Supplies \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

The medical **equipment** indicated above is necessary in order to ensure the patient's well being for the time period of \_\_\_\_\_.

The medical **supplies** indicated above are necessary in order to ensure the patient's well being for the time period of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Florida Medical License Number

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Name

**PART II - Case Manager's Certification**

**To be Completed by Title I Funded Case Managers**

As the primary case manager for \_\_\_\_\_, CIS #: \_\_\_\_\_, Agency Assigned ID #: \_\_\_\_\_, I certify that he/she has been screened for eligibility under Title I and other funding sources. Title I (funding source of last resort) is the only program that can currently meet this client's needs for all of the equipment and/or supplies indicated above or for some of the items listed depending on the limitations defined by other benefit programs. As a Title I funded provider, I understand that this Letter of Medical Necessity, along with the attached physician's order for the above mentioned equipment and/or supplies, constitutes a certified referral for this service and confirms this client's medical and financial eligibility under the Title I program.

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LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY  
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**PART II - Case Manager's Certification (Continued)**

**To be Completed by Non-Title I Funded Case Managers**

As the primary case manager for \_\_\_\_\_, Agency Assigned ID #: \_\_\_\_\_, I certify that he/she has been screened for eligibility under funding sources other than Title I. Title I (funding source of last resort) is the only program that can currently meet this client's needs for all of the equipment and/or supplies indicated above or for some of the items listed depending on the limitations defined by other benefit programs. As a non-Title I funded case manager, I understand that this Letter of Medical Necessity must be accompanied by documentation of the client's medical and financial eligibility in order for the client to receive this service under the Title I program. Therefore, the required proof of eligibility is hereby attached.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Case Manager's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Name

(\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
Case Manager's Telephone Number

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM  
LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR  
ANTIRETROVIRAL HIV GENOTYPE RESISTANCE ASSAYS: TREATMENT INTENT STUDY**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) ANTIRETROVIRAL RESISTANCE TESTS MAY BE ORDERED IN ANY CONSECUTIVE TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD TO INCLUDE NO MORE THAN ONE (1) HIV PHENOTYPE IN ANY CONSECUTIVE TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD. IF THE PATIENT IS ELIGIBLE FOR HIV GENOTYPE TESTING UNDER ADAP, THE PATIENT IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THIS SERVICE UNDER RYAN WHITE TITLE I.**

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_ it is my considered opinion that he/she requires HIV genotypic resistance testing. The patient is not currently receiving antiretroviral medications and one of the following criteria has been met:

1. \_\_\_\_ The patient is antiretroviral-naïve, and therapy is being initiated for acute HIV infection. It is likely that resistance testing at baseline will optimize virological response.
2. \_\_\_\_ The patient is antiretroviral-naïve, and therapy is being initiated for chronic HIV infection present not more than 2 years. Resistance testing at baseline is recommended since some resistance-associated mutations are known to persist in the absence of drug pressure.
3. \_\_\_\_ The patient is antiretroviral-naïve, and there is a significant probability that he/she was infected with antiretroviral-resistant virus due to a specific history of apparent unprotected sexual exposure to an antiretroviral-experienced partner.
4. \_\_\_\_ Antiretroviral therapy (ART) is being initiated in a new patient, not previously known, who is not currently receiving antiretroviral therapy, but who gives a history of past antiretroviral exposure from another caregiver or institution.

I understand HIV genotypic resistance testing may only be ordered under the following conditions:

1. The applicable criterion above has been fully documented in the patient's medical record;
2. ART therapy and adherence have been discussed with the patient as part of his/her medical treatment;
3. The patient has acknowledged an understanding of treatment goals and expressed his/her intent to adhere to ART therapy;
4. The patient's plasma HIV RNA (viral load) at the time of testing must be at least 1000 co/ml.

Test ordered: \_\_\_\_ Genotype                      \_\_\_\_ Genotype with Data Base Match (Virtual Phenotype)

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Physician's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM  
LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR  
ANTIRETROVIRAL HIV GENOTYPE RESISTANCE ASSAYS: ANTIRETROVIRAL FAILURE**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) ANTIRETROVIRAL RESISTANCE TESTS MAY BE ORDERED IN ANY TWELVE (12) MONTH CONSECUTIVE PERIOD TO INCLUDE NO MORE THAN ONE (1) HIV PHENOTYPE IN ANY CONSECUTIVE TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD. IF THE PATIENT IS ELIGIBLE FOR HIV GENOTYPE TESTING UNDER ADAP, THE PATIENT IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THIS TEST UNDER RYAN WHITE TITLE I.**

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_ it is my considered opinion that he/she requires HIV genotypic resistance testing. The following criterion has been met:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ The patient has sub-optimal suppression of the viral load following initiation of antiretroviral therapy (ART) as defined by the current medical guidelines of the Department of Health and Human Services;

**OR**

2. \_\_\_\_\_ The patient has experienced virologic failure during combination ART as defined by the current medical guidelines of the Department of Health and Human Services.

I understand HIV genotypic resistance testing for antiretroviral failure may only be ordered under the following conditions:

1. The applicable criterion above has been fully documented in the patient's medical record;
2. It appears the patient has been fully adherent to his/her current antiretroviral treatment regimen;
3. Adherence has been discussed with the patient on an on-going basis as part of his/her medical treatment;
4. The patient's two most recent plasma HIV RNA (viral loads) must be at least 1000 copies/ml at the time of testing. At least one reading must be less than 3 months old;
5. The patient must be on antiretroviral medications at the time of testing or off medications no more than 2 weeks prior to testing.

Test Ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ Genotype \_\_\_\_\_ Genotype with Data Base Match (Virtual Phenotype)

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Physician's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM  
LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR  
ANTIRETROVIRAL PHENOTYPE RESISTANCE ASSAYS FOR EXPERIENCED PATIENTS  
COVERAGE IS LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF ONE PHENOTYPE IN ANY CONSECUTIVE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_ it is my considered opinion that he/she requires HIV phenotypic resistance testing. The following criteria have been met:

1. The patient at any time in the past has failed two (2) or more antiretroviral (ARV) regimens;
2. Results of at least one, preferably more, prior genotype(s) must be available in the chart and Resistance to two or more drugs per class in at least two classes of ARVs is present on prior genotype(s);

**AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING (check-off the appropriate condition below):**

- ☐ Prior genotype(s) show(s) resistance to at least 2 PIs other than ritonavir and use of a PI is being considered;
- OR**
- ☐ Lopinavir/ritonavir is being considered in a PI-experienced patient with four or more mutations associated with resistance to lopinavir/ritonavir on a prior genotype;
- OR**
- ☐ Four or more mutations at codons associated with PI cross-resistance are present;
- OR**
- ☐ M184V mutation is present in the presence of 3 or more NRTI-associated mutations (NAMs);
- OR**
- ☐ K65R mutation is present, or other mutations associated with NRTI cross-resistance (69 insertion complex or 151 complex);
- OR**
- ☐ Rescue ARV regimens guided by results of two or more prior genotypes have failed to suppress viral replication, whether mutations present or not, and the patient has been determined to be adherent on re-evaluation. (Requires a minimum of two prior genotypes.)

I understand HIV phenotypic resistance testing for experienced patients may only be ordered under the following conditions:

1. The above criteria have been met and are fully documented in the patient's medical record;
2. Adherence has been discussed with the patient on an on-going basis as part of his/her medical treatment, and it has been determined that the patient is fully adherent with his/her current ART regimen;
3. The patient's plasma HIV RNA (viral load) at the time of testing must be at least 1000 co/ml within the past month (attach copy to letter of medical necessity);
4. The patient must be on antiretroviral medications at the time of testing.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Physician's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**

**Letter of Medical Necessity for  
Appetite Stimulant**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the prescribing physician for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my opinion that an appetite stimulant is medically necessary for this patient (check the appropriate box):

- ☐ Dronabinol (Marinol) –maximum of 2.5mg b.i.d. dosage\*
- ☐ Megestrol (Megace)

[\*NOTE: Title I funds may only be used to cover a maximum of 2.5 mg b.i.d. dosage of Dronabinol (Marinol).]

The patient's prognosis is \_\_\_\_\_.

The physician prescribing this medication **MUST** sign and date the Letter of Medical Necessity for Appetite Stimulant attesting to the following:

1. This appetite stimulant will play a vital role in maintaining the patient's degree of wellness by preventing malnutrition, pancreatic and/or digestive insufficiency. This patient has failed to gain or maintain weight with a standard dietary intake. Without this medication this patient will have to be hospitalized.
2. I have tried other dietary regimens such as high calorie high protein meals, pureed food, fortified milkshakes, etc., with my patient with no results. I believe that the appetite stimulant \_\_\_\_\_ is medically indicated in this case.
3. I understand the need for this appetite stimulant to be reassessed every three (3) months (original prescription and two (2) refills) and for a Letter of Medical Necessity for Appetite Stimulant to be completed every three months for a maximum of two (2) refills per prescription.

Sincerely,

Patient's Height \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

Patient's Weight \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME  
(Physician)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White  
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**RYAN WHITE NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Supplementation in ADULTS**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of HIV/AIDS, it is my considered opinion that he/she requires enteric nutritional supplements.

I believe that nutritional supplements are medically indicated in this case and I have referred this patient for a professional Nutritional Assessment by a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist.

I understand enteral nutrition must be evaluated by a Dietitian/Nutritionist every \_\_\_\_\_. (Please indicate period of time for nutritional re-evaluation. Number of refills authorized cannot exceed this period of time.)

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M. D./ D.O./ ARNP/ PA-C  
SIGNATURE  
(Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME  
(Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License #

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME  
(Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE  
(Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dietitian/Nutritionist Florida License #

**Nutrition Products Available Through Ryan White Title I**

Physician/ Nurse Practitioner/ Physician Assistant/ Dietitian/Nutritionist, please indicate preferred product, flavor, number of servings recommended and number of refills authorized. (Dietitian/Nutritionist, please refer to the Criteria for Dispensing Nutritional Supplements FORM for patient's nutritional assessment on back page.)

Please document patient's: Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Lbs ☐ Kgs IBW/UBW: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Lbs ☐ Kgs

**NOTE: 1 Serving = 2 Scoops**

- ☐ Progain Powder - \_\_\_\_ No. of **SERVINGS per DAY** ☐ Vanilla ☐ Chocolate  
(HIGH calorie product)  
Number of Refills Authorized \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number of refills authorized cannot exceed period of time for re-evaluation by nutritionist/dietitian as indicated above)
- ☐ IgG Pure - \_\_\_\_ No. of **SERVINGS per DAY** (Only natural flavor available)  
(LOW calorie product)  
Number of Refills Authorized \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number of refills authorized cannot exceed period of time for re-evaluation by nutritionist/ dietitian as indicated above)

**Please note:** If the patient is on MEDICAID, please refer to the MEDICAID Medical Necessity Request Letter.  
Patient's 10 digit MEDICAID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RYAN WHITE NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Supplementation in CHILDREN**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of HIV/AIDS, it is my considered opinion that he/she requires enteric nutritional supplements.

I believe that nutritional supplements are medically indicated in this case and I have referred this patient for a professional Nutritional Assessment by a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist.

I understand enteral nutrition must be evaluated by a Dietitian/Nutritionist every \_\_\_\_\_. (Please indicate period of time for nutritional re-evaluation. Number of refills authorized cannot exceed this period of time.)

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D./D.O./ARNP/PA-C

SIGNATURE

(Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant)

PRINT NAME

(Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant)

Florida Medical License # \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME

(Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist)

SIGNATURE

(Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist)

Dietitian/Nutritionist Florida License # \_\_\_\_\_

**Nutrition Products Available Through Ryan White Title I**

Physician/ Nurse Practitioner/ Physician Assistant/ Dietitian/ Nutritionist, please indicate preferred product, flavor, number of servings recommended and number of refills authorized. (Dietitian/Nutritionist, please refer to the Criteria for Dispensing Nutritional Supplements FORM for patient's nutritional assessment on back page.)

Please document patient's: Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Lbs ☐ Kgs IBW/UBW: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Lbs ☐ Kgs

**NOTE: 1 Serving = 1 Can (8 fluid ounces)**

**Boost Liquid is restricted to Children 18 years and under**

Boost Liquid- \_\_\_\_\_ No. of **SERVINGS per DAY**

Number of Refills Authorized \_\_\_\_\_

(Number of refills authorized cannot exceed period of time for re-evaluation by nutritionist/ dietitian as indicated above.)

Please indicate FLAVOR preference: ☐ Vanilla ☐ Chocolate ☐ Strawberry

**Resource Just for Kids is restricted to Children 1 - 10 years of age**

Resource Just for Kids- \_\_\_\_\_ No. of **SERVINGS per DAY**

Number of Refills Authorized \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note:** If the patient is on MEDICAID, please refer to the MEDICAID Medical Necessity Request Letter.

Patient's 10 digit MEDICAID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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### CRITERIA FOR DISPENSING NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS

The following are potential situations where commercial nutritional supplements could be considered medically indicated.

Patient must meet at least two (2) criteria listed below.

*(Consultation with a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist for nutritional assessment and a Letter of Medical Necessity are required.)*

**Please check all that apply:**

- ☐ Current body weight < 10% IBW/UBW
- ☐ Weight loss of:
  - 5% of the initial/baseline weight over the past month -OR-
  - 7.5% over the past 3 months -OR-
  - 10% weight loss within the last 6 months
- ☐ Body Cell Mass (BCM) < 40% (MALES) or BCM < 35% (FEMALE) of IBW
- ☐ Body Mass Index (BMI) < 20
- ☐ Recent illness/hospitalization that will interfere with patient's ability to consume or tolerate adequate non-supplemental nutrition
- ☐ Diarrhea/malabsorption with > 3 large, liquid stools/day
- ☐ Dysphagia and/or odonyphagia where commercial supplements are the only source of nutrition tolerated
- ☐ Serum albumin < 3.5 g/dl
- ☐ Failure to gain/maintain weight in the past when following a dietary regimen to promote weight gain
- ☐ Inadequate living conditions or inability to buy/prepare meals
- ☐ Inability to understand and or follow nutritional recommendations

### NUTRITIONAL PLAN FOR SUPPLEMENTS

#### **I. INITIAL Consultation:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient assessed/instructed by Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist: **(Please check the appropriate box)**

- ☐ Nutritional supplements **recommended** ☐ Nutritional supplements **NOT** recommended

#### **II. FOLLOW-UP Visit:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient re-assessed for progress: **(Please check the appropriate box)**

- ☐ Nutritional supplements **continued** ☐ Nutritional supplements **discontinued**

#### **III. ADDT'L FOLLOW-UP Visit:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient re-assessed for progress: **(Please check the appropriate box)**

- ☐ Nutritional supplements **continued** ☐ Nutritional supplements **discontinued**

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Olanzapine (Zyprexa)**

**SECTION I:** This section is to be completed by a prescribing healthcare provider for  
INITIAL Olanzapine (ZYPREXA) prescriptions NOT EXCEEDING 20mg PER DAY.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the PRESCRIBING HEALTHCARE PROVIDER for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my opinion that Olanzapine (Zyprexa) is medically necessary for this patient at a dose of \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that a letter of medical necessity is required only for the initial prescription for Olanzapine (Zyprexa) NOT exceeding 20mg per day.

**SECTION II:** This section is to be completed by a prescribing healthcare provider for  
ALL Olanzapine (ZYPREXA) prescriptions EXCEEDING 20mg PER DAY

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the PRESCRIBING HEALTHCARE PROVIDER for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my opinion that an Olanzapine (Zyprexa) dosage exceeding 20mg per day is medically necessary for this patient.

In addition, I am providing the following information as required by Ryan White Title I:

- Reason for Olanzapine (Zyprexa) dose > 20mg/day \_\_\_\_\_
- Previous Olanzapine (Zyprexa) dosage \_\_\_\_\_
- Duration of previous Olanzapine (Zyprexa) treatment \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that a letter of medical necessity is required for every new prescription of Olanzapine (Zyprexa) exceeding 20mg per day.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida medical license # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service  
Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Pantoprazole**  
**(Must be completed by a Gastroenterologist)**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, a Board-Certified gastroenterologist, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, is a patient under my care who requires Protonix 40 mg for the treatment of Erosive Esophagitis, or Barrett's Esophagus, or a hypersecretory condition. I certify that a proton pump inhibitor is medically necessary.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D. (DO)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Physician's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service  
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This letter **must** be completed each time a new Protonix prescription is written to treat any of the conditions indicated above. It is not required for refills.

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Sporanox**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my considered opinion that he/she requires a prescription to take Sporanox in capsule formulation. The patient's prognosis is \_\_\_\_\_. The following criteria have been met:

1. The medication will be utilized to treat one of the following two conditions (please check one box):

<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>

Histoplasmosis

Aspergillosis

I understand Sporanox may only be prescribed under the following conditions:

1. The above criteria have been met and are fully documented in the patient's medical record
2. The patient has been diagnosed with either histoplasmosis or aspergillosis.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print M.D.'s name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida medical license # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity to Accompany Initial Prescription for**  
**Testosterone Gel (Androgel® 1%, Testim® 1%)**  
**(MUST ACCOMPANY INITIAL REFERRAL TO THE PHARMACY ALONG WITH A PRESCRIPTION)**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the prescribing physician for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of low serum testosterone level\*, it is my opinion that testosterone replacement with testosterone gel (Androgel® 1%, Testim® 1%) is medically necessary for this patient. The following criteria have been met and required information submitted.

The medication will be utilized to treat low serum testosterone level\* if the following are met:

1. The patient has a documented history of prior intramuscular (IM) long acting testosterone use for \_\_\_\_\_ (amount of time).
2. There is an existing contraindication to the injectable formulation whereby the patient has a history of a medical condition in which the use of the different intramuscular injection sites is contraindicated (i.e., infection/abscess at all injection sites). **Please specify the reason for the contraindication** (check the appropriate box):

- ☐ Hemophilia
- ☐ Anticoagulation – patient is on Coumadin
- ☐ Infection/small abscess at injection site until infection resolves
- ☐ Thrombocytopenia

Please provide the following **PATIENT INFORMATION:**

DATE parameter measured:	PARAMETERS		
	Height:		
	Weight:	Lbs	or Kg
	Serum Testosterone Level:		

\* A testosterone level below normal as measured by the reference lab. Please submit with the **initial** referral and prescription a copy of the dated lab report with testosterone level results.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME  
(Physician)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS # (assigned by the Ryan White Title I Service Delivery Information System)

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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Letter of Medical Necessity for Valacyclovir (NEW PRESCRIPTIONS)**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the primary medical caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_, who has a diagnosis of \_\_\_\_\_, it is my considered opinion that (check one of the following)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Valacyclovir 500mg
<input type="checkbox"/>	Valacyclovir 1000mg

is medically necessary for this patient. The following criteria has been identified and documented in the patient's chart (the physician must initial next to the box corresponding to the medical condition that applies to this patient):

- ☐ This Patient requires Valacyclovir daily suppressive therapy (usual dose is 500mg twice daily) for recurrent Herpes Simplex episodes occurring while receiving standard doses of daily suppressive Acyclovir therapy (usual doses are between 400mg and 800mg twice to three times daily).
- ☐ This patient has acute Herpes Zoster, and requires Valacyclovir 1000mg three (3) times daily. A ten (10)-day supply, refillable once only, may be provided per episode.

**OR**

**Note:** To qualify for daily suppressive Valacyclovir therapy, a patient must have had more than one Herpes recurrence while receiving daily Acyclovir suppressive therapy. This must be documented by attaching a photocopy of a recent Acyclovir prescription to this Letter of Medical Necessity when submitted with the first prescription for Valacyclovir tablets. This is not a requirement for subsequent refills.

I understand Valacyclovir may only be prescribed when one of the criteria specified above has been met and is fully documented in the patient's medical record.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_, M.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print M.D.'s Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Florida Medical License # (MEO#)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's 10 Digit Medicaid # (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's CIS #  
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**RYAN WHITE TITLE I PROGRAM**  
**Prior Authorization Form for Neupogen® (Filgrastim)**

Recipient's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Prescriber Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber License #: (ME,OS,RN) \_\_\_\_\_  
Prescriber Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Drug Strength: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check below the diagnosis or indication for this product:

- ☐ Severe neutropenia in AIDS patients on antiretroviral therapy  
Severe Chronic Neutropenia: ☐ congenital ☐ cyclic ☐ idiopathic  
☐ Cancer patients with HIV/AIDS receiving myelosuppressive chemotherapy

Select one of the following:

New Therapy ☐ **OR** Continuation of Therapy ☐

Lab Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Absolute Neutrophil Count: \_\_\_\_\_ cells/mm<sup>3</sup>

What is the date range of therapy? Begin Date: \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate dosage and frequency of dosing: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of the original prescription and lab results dated within the last two (2) months.**

**Hand Deliver, Mail or Fax information to:**

Mercy Professional Pharmacy  
3661 South Miami Avenue, Suite 110  
Miami, FL 33133  
Telephone #: (305) 285-2762 (for information only)  
Fax #: (305) 285-5019 **OR** (305) 285-2606

**OR** AIDS Healthcare Foundation  
375 N.E. 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3  
Miami, FL 33137  
Telephone #: (305) 758-1984 (for information only)  
Fax #: (305) 758-8714

**FOR RYAN WHITE TITLE I USE ONLY**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Notified:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Start Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Expiration Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Denied:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Reason:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prior Authorization Form for Procrit® (Epoetin)**

Recipient's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Prescriber Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber License #: (ME,OS,RN) \_\_\_\_\_  
Prescriber Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Drug Strength: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check below the diagnosis or indication for this product:

- ☐ Anemia associated with HIV  
☐ Anemia associated with renal failure if patient is not on dialysis  
☐ Anemia associated with chemotherapy  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Select one of the following:

New Therapy ☐ **OR** Continuation of Therapy ☐

Does the patient have active gastrointestinal bleeding? ☐ YES **OR** ☐ NO

Lab Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Hematocrit: \_\_\_\_\_ % Hemoglobin: \_\_\_\_\_ g/dl

Indicate dosage and frequency of dosing: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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